

## EDITORIAL.

THE first thing to be considered this time is the appointment of a new Treasurer for our Association. Mrs. Pickford, who, as Miss Flower, worked for the Association for several years, and to whom we are all most grateful, is now unfortunately obliged to resign the Treasurership. Who will be public-spirited enough to undertake it? Offers from ex-students should be sent to Miss Allen, 50, Porchester Terrace, Bayswater. It is thought better that the Secretary should, if possible, be a student who lives in or near London, and so has the opportunity of attending the Students' Meetings and of keeping in touch with ex-students of different years. Subscriptions may be sent *pro tem.* to Miss Allen, but it is hoped that a Secretary will have been appointed before the issue of the next number of the Plant. Questions relating to the sending out of the Magazines should be sent to the Secretary (Miss Allen) and *not* to the Editor. We hope that some of the students of earlier years may be inclined to undertake the Secretaryship. The chief object of the Association is to bind its members together, especially the members of different years. The Secretary and Editor are members of years X. and XI. respectively and represent later times, and so it would seem better to have a Secretary from some earlier year who would help us to keep in touch with earlier students.

Cannot some of the earlier students, too, send contributions? As so few of them are personally known to the Editor it is almost impossible to ask them individually. That many could contribute much that would be helpful and interesting goes without saying; but perhaps some underestimate their own powers, or perhaps again they feel too vague about what would be most acceptable for the Magazine. To meet this latter difficulty it is proposed to make a list of suggestions about subjects that would be acceptable. This does not mean, however, that other articles would not also be welcome.

(a) First and most important is that every one should take up the Reading Union. A list of the books set is to be

found elsewhere in this Magazine. Post-card criticisms on *one or more* of these are to be sent to Miss Pennethorne, who will ask the writer of the most promising post-card for an article on her impressions of the book.

(b) Humorous verses (topical and otherwise), or humorous articles, are welcome as giving a much-needed comic relief to the Magazine.

(c) Practical hints on our work. Nature Notes, hints on handicrafts, and games for the games column.

(d) Articles that would be helpful. This time several students have asked for some hints on "Teaching to read" and "Teaching to spell," especially after the first stages, and when it is time to expect fluency and expression.

(e) Accounts of holiday courses abroad, travelling experiences, classes or lectures available for teachers, etc.

Contributions for the next number may be sent as soon as the contributors can manage it to the Editor, 79, Grove Lane, Denmark Hill. Please write on one side of the paper only.

## NOTICES.

Miss Hodgson has asked me to insert the following:—She says, "I am just finishing nine years' work here, and very happy years they have been for me. . . You can guess that it is a great break with all at Scale How, but my health forced me to make the change. I am joining Miss Devonshire in taking a Girls' College near Crewe.

"The school is known as Betley Ladies' College, and stands in a pretty village on the borders of Cheshire. There are about thirty girls, aged 10-17 or 18. We hope that you will all be interested in our work and you will send us all the girls you can. The school will be on our own lines, and as we shall be near enough to Manchester to get good masters we hope to have a thoroughly good school. You will guess that Nature - Lore and Handicrafts will receive some attention."

We are sure that all ex-students will heartily wish Miss Hodgson success in her new venture, and we hope that she will let us have news of her and her work from time to time.